

[8th August 1960]

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know whether there will be uniform moral instruction extending to all boys and girls in all colleges?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I would request the hon. Member to wait for some time when the scheme would be finalised.

* 5 Q.—MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member is not putting the question.

Dispute between the Electricity Board and its workers.

* 6 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether the Government have taken any steps to settle the dispute between the Electricity Board and the Electricity Workers' Federation, Madras, regarding the grievances of the Electricity workers?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Yes, Sir. The Commissioner of Labour held conciliation in the dispute and submitted his report to Government. After examining his report, the Government have passed orders in G.O. Ms. No. 2880, Labour, dated 11th June 1960.

Introduction of Tamil as the medium of instruction in Colleges.

* 7 Q.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the State Educational Conference held recently at Madurai has requested the Government that the adoption of Tamil as medium of instruction in colleges other than in the Government Arts College, Coimbatore, should be made optional and that in no case should the financial aid be denied to colleges continuing to give instruction through the English medium; and

(b) if so, the decision taken thereon by the Government?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) No such request has been received by Government; but such a suggestion was made by the President of the Conference.

(b) Does not arise.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know whether it is a fact that the Hon. Minister assured the conference that he would abide by the decision of the conference? If so, may I know whether any decision had been reached at the conference and a copy sent to Government?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I have not received any copy of the decision.

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SRI S. LAZAR : தமிழ் போதனா மொழியாக வைப்பது என்று முடிவு செய்த பிறகு அந்தக் கல்லூரிக்குத் தேவையான பிரத்யேக புத்தகங்களை தயாரித்து விநியோகிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : A separate question may be put.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Since the President of the Conference is the chosen representative of the body, may I know whether the Government have attached any importance to his suggestion?

MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member is asking for information during question-time. He should not ask that question. The question is out of order. The hon. Member can only ask facts and not information.

Railway coupons for the Members of the State Legislature.

* 8 Q.—**SRI A. A. RASHEED :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any communication from the Union Railway Ministry regarding the Railway coupons for the use of the Members of the State Legislature; and

(b) if so, whether a copy will be placed on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that the Railway Ministry has agreed to supply coupons if the Madras Government approached the Ministry? May I know why this Government did not approach the Railway Ministry for issue of such coupons?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Because we have not taken the decision that such coupons should be distributed to Members of the State Legislature.

Legislation under Article 309 of the Constitution.

* 9. Q.—**SRI P. U. SHANMUGAM** (on behalf of **SRI M. P. SARATHI**) : கனம் முதல் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்கு பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) அரசியலமைப்பின் 309-வது பிரிவின்படி சட்டமியற்ற உத்தேசம் உண்டா?

(ஆ) எப்போது இயற்றப்படும்?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.